Introduced by Assembly Member Nakanishi

February 13, 2007

An act relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 329, as introduced, Nakanishi. Chronic diseases: telemedicine. Existing law, the Medical Practice Act, regulates the practice of telemedicine, defined as the practice of health care delivery, diagnosis, consultation, treatment, transfer of medical data, and education using interactive audio, video, or data communications.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation enabling the Medical Board of California to bring all interested parties together to discuss the various means of delivering health care to those with chronic diseases using telemedicine, and requiring the group to make recommendations to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2009.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation that would enable the Medical Board of California to
- 3 bring all interested parties together to discuss the various means
- 4 of delivering health care to those with chronic diseases, using best
- 5 practices in a telemedicine model in order to reach all Californians,
- 6 and that would require the group to make recommendations

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- regarding its findings to the Legislature on or before January 1,
 2009.